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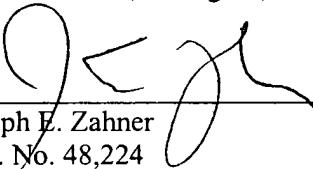
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Patent Office for a 1 month extension of time to and including January 13, 2002 to respond to the Official Action in the above-identified application. A Statement Claiming Small Entity Status and the small entity fee of \$ 55.00 for same are enclosed herewith.

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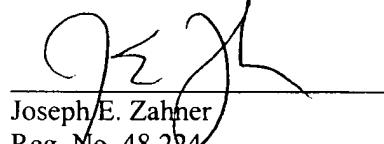
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It is believed that the fee enclosed is correct, but the Patent Office is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 18-1829. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,


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